

# International Weightlifting Federation Lausanne

Report of the Independent Auditor  
to the Executive Board

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2020



## **Report of the Independent Auditor**

to the Executive Board of  
**International Weightlifting Federation, Lausanne**

### **Report of the Independent Auditor on the Financial Statements**

As independent auditor, we have audited the accompanying financial statements of International Weightlifting Federation, which comprise the balance sheet, statement of income and notes for the year ended 31 December 2020.

#### **Federation's Responsibility**

The President and the Secretary General are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Swiss law. This responsibility includes designing, implementing, and maintaining an internal control system relevant to the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The treasurer is further responsible for selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Swiss law and Swiss Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control system relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control system. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

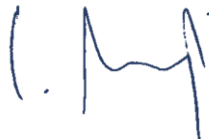
**Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 comply with Swiss law.

Zurich, 8 June 2022  
**Grant Thornton AG**



Markus Eugster  
Audit expert  
Auditor in charge



Claudia Meneghetti  
Audit expert

**Enclosure:**

- Financial statements (balance sheet, income statement and notes)

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Financial Statements 2020

Balance Sheet as of 31 December		2020	2019
<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>USD</b>	<b>USD</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Petty Cash		-	65,990
Cash at banks		4,238,183	4,188,942
Accounts receivable		50,000	96,713
Prepaid expenses and accrued income		-	440,806
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>4,288,183</b>	<b>4,792,452</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Marketable securities		17,362,840	24,011,503
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>17,362,840</b>	<b>24 011 503</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>21,651,023</b>	<b>28,803,954</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>USD</b>	<b>USD</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Accounts payable		174,927	49,681
Accrued expenses		161,621	2,414,388
Deferred revenue		35,500	1,784,491
Provisions		575,000	150,000
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>947,048</b>	<b>4,398,560</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Special reserve		20,000,000	20,000,000
Net excess of income/(expenditure) for the reporting year		4,001,744	-6,052,151
Unrestricted funds brought forward	2.1	4,705,720	10,457,545
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>20,703,976</b>	<b>24,405,394</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>		<b>21,651,023</b>	<b>28,803,954</b>



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Income statement for the period ending 31 December		2020	2019
	Note	USD	USD
Membership fees		54,421	81,000
Marketing, sponsorship and TV revenues	2.2	604,908	1,000,000
Bidding fees for IWF Championships			118,988
Olympic Revenues		70,000	75,437
Peru revenues		-	1,023,906
Reimbursements of advanced costs		49,160	175,898
Anti-Doping Fund & Fines		8,348	529,847
IWF Technologies income		-	9,362
Referee cards and licenses fees		2,499	18,214
Other income		21,382	760
<b>Total Income from operating activities</b>		<b>810,718</b>	<b>3,033,422</b>
		<b>USD</b>	<b>USD</b>
Doping controls costs		-1,824,086	-3,425,000
IWF Development program expenses		-1,760,044	-1,509,985
Personnel expenses		-1,371,181	-1,090,785
Consulting fees	2.3	-1,177,279	
IWF Executive Board Honorarium		-972,517	-980,248
Legal costs		-511,994	-295,860
PR and publications		-418,380	-886,658
Administrative expenses		-481,655	-493,832
Travel costs		-286,373	-
Meetings		-263,379	-485,375
Costs related to competitions		-113,024	-316,891
Accounting and audit fees		-96,665	-94,207
Membership and subscription fees paid		-45,816	-7,697
Participation in meetings		-	-7,190
IWF Logo items		-	-36,361
IWF Technologies expenses		-	-92,544
Taxes		-81,160	-
Receivables' write-off		-	-579,582
Other income/(expenditures)		-292,394	-2,106,958
<b>Total Expenditure from operating activities</b>		<b>-9,695,948</b>	<b>-12,409,142</b>
<b>Excess of revenue/(expenditure) from operating activities</b>		<b>-8,885,230</b>	<b>-9,375,720</b>
<b>Financial revenue/ (expenses), net</b>		<b>1,633,126</b>	<b>3,323,569</b>
<b>Extraordinary income</b>	3.2	<b>3,250,360</b>	
<b>Net income/(loss) for the reporting year</b>		<b>-4,001,744</b>	<b>-6,052,151</b>

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Notes to the financial statements for the period ending 31 December 2020

## 1. PRINCIPLES

### 1.1 The association

The International Weightlifting Federation (hereafter called "IWF") is a Swiss association registered in Lausanne, established as a non-profit legal entity controlled by art. 60 and further of the Swiss Civil Code. The IWF is domiciled in Lausanne, Switzerland.

The IWF is recognized by the International Olympic Committee as the sole controlling body for international weightlifting and is composed of 192 affiliated National Federations.

### 1.2 Summary of significant accounting policies

These financial statements were prepared according to the provisions of the Swiss Law on Accounting and Financial reporting (32nd title of the Swiss Code of Obligation). Where not prescribed by law, the significant accounting and valuation principles applied are described below.

#### 1.2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Swiss Code of Obligations. They are presented in United States dollars (USD), as this is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the IWF's activities is conducted. They are prepared on the historical cost basis.

#### 1.2.2 Foreign currencies

IWF books are kept in US dollars. Transactions in currencies other than USD are recorded at the approximating exchange rate on the date of the transaction. At the balance sheet date monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are converted into USD at the prevailing exchange rate at that date. Realized and unrealized foreign currency exchange differences are reported in the statement of income and expenditures.

#### 1.2.3 Recognition of revenues

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Federation and the revenue can be reliably measured.

##### Sponsoring and TV revenues

Sponsoring and TV revenues are recorded as income when they are due, as the contractual commitment has been realized. Revenue related to future events are deferred to the period to which it relates.

##### Doping fines

Doping fines are recorded as revenue at the moment the case is closed, the fine is due and time and rights for appeal have been exhausted.

##### Affiliation fees

Affiliation fees income is recognized the year they are due.

#### 1.2.4 Recognition of expenses

Expenses are recognized in the financial statements on an accrual basis. Expenses are recognized over the period to which they relate.

#### 1.2.5 Income taxes

As the IWF is a non-profit making association, it benefits from tax exemption applied to international sports organisations located in the canton of Vaud.

#### 1.2.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are recognized as an expense during the period in which they were purchased.

#### 1.2.7 Designated funds

Designated funds are funds that are disposable to the organization and that are designated by the organization for a specified purpose which limits their use.

#### 1.2.8 Marketable securities

Marketable securities (available-for-sale securities) are accounted for at the market value with valuation reductions and recoveries due to market fluctuations recorded in the financial revenue and expenses, respectively.

Notes to the financial statements for the period ending 31 December 2020

2. INFORMATION ON ITEMS OF THE BALANCE SHEET AND INCOME STATEMENT

2.1 Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are or would be freely available to use for any of the IWF's purposes, once all of its enforceable obligations have been fulfilled.

	USD	USD
	2020	2019
<b>2.2 Marketing, sponsorship and TV revenues</b>		
Marketing and barbell licenses	449,956	500,000
Sponsorship revenues	<u>154,952</u>	<u>500,000</u>
	<b><u>604,908</u></b>	<b><u>1,000,000</u></b>
	USD	USD
	2020	2019
<b>2.3 Consulting fees</b>		
McLaren Global Sport Solutions	-1,149,029	-
Other	<u>-28,250</u>	<u>-</u>
	<b><u>-1,177,279</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>



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**INFORMATION**

**3.1 Full-time equivalents**

The annual average number of full-time equivalents for the reporting year, as well as the previous year, did not exceed 50.

**3.2 Adjusting entry**

As a result of restoring accounting transactions during 2020 we have made the reversal of previously over accrued expenses and overstated receivables and prepaid expenses. The amount presented in extraordinary income is 3,250,360 USD.

**3.3. Audit fees**

Audit fees incurred in 2020 amount to 57 thousand USD (48 thousand USD in 2019).

**3.4. Rental agreement**

Rental agreement of the Lausanne office is valid until 31 March 2023. The rental expenses for the period of 1 January 2021 until 31 March 2023 will amount to 96,147 CHF.



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